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Subject: <u>Division Directive to Amend Notice and Provide Reclamation Surety or Reclaim, Robert Drachuk, ML 48870 Mine, S/027/0106, Millard County, Utah</u>

Response or reclamation required by December 4, 2014.

Dear Mr. Drachuk:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has not approved the reclamation surety for the ML 48870 mine, so although the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (Notice) was determined complete, **no mining is authorized at this time**.

The Division has received a portion of the required surety amount. Permit fees have been paid through 2013, but the Division has not received fees for 2014. The Division inspected the site on August 12, 2014, and has determined that the current reclamation surety held by the Division (\$3,000) is inadequate for the three primary disturbances at the site.

You are hereby directed to **EITHER**:



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- 1) By December 11, 2014, provide an additional \$5,000 of reclamation surety to increase the surety for the site to \$8,000, AND
- 2) **Provide an amendment** showing the existing and any proposed future mining disturbances.

OR

3) Regrade existing mining-related disturbances by December 11, 2014. The Division recommends that the site be reseeded as soon as possible after regrading and that seed be applied to freshly-roughened soil. Once complete, submit a request for partial release of the reclamation surety by signing and submitting the attached form MR-SITE.

Failure to proceed with reclamation or submitting additional surety may result in enforcement action and associated fines. The Division will re-inspect these areas to evaluate reclamation earthwork and determine how much reclamation surety will need to be retained.

The Division has recently and unsuccessfully attempted to contact you multiple times by phone and e mail. Please provide the Division with up-to-date contact information, including a current address, telephone number, and e mail address.

Penny Berry, the bond coordinator for the Minerals program, can provide you with additional information about acceptable forms of reclamation surety. She can be contacted at 801-538-5291 or by e mail at pennyberry@utah.gov.

We understand that you have been seriously ill, and hope you are recovering. When you receive this letter, please contact Peter Brinton at 801-538-5258, or me at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Light for PBB

Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

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Enclosed: August 12, 2014 Inspection Report

Recommended seed mix

MR-SITE form

Jerry Mansfield, SITLA (ML-48870); jmansfield@utah.gov

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West Desert Seed Mix (fossils) (recommended) Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

Species	Amount
Crested Wheatgrass - Hycrest	0.5 lb/acre
Fourwing Saltbush	2.0 lb/acre
Indian Ricegrass - Nezpar	2.0 lb/acre
Siberian Wheatgrass - Vavilov	2.0 lb/acre
Pubescent Wheatgrass	2.0 lb/acre
Western Wheatgrass - Arriba	3.0 lb/acre
Forage Kochia - Immigrant	0.5 lb/acre
Palmer penstemon	0.5 lb/acre
Winterfat	1.0 lb/acre
Yellow sweet clover	0.5 lb/acre
Small burnet	0.5 lb/acre

Total 14.5 lbs/acre

- * Keep your seed stored at a cool or cold temperature until you are ready to spread it
- * Broadcast seeding is typically much more effective on freshly-roughened soils (e.g. immediately after regrading)
- * Keep your seed tags and records of your revegetation activities as documentation for the Division
- * Contact the Division if you have questions or concerns